

## REMARKS

### Allowable Subject Matter

Applicants thank Examiner Alie for his time during the teleconference of January 15, 2006. In response to that teleconference, Applicants submit the instant amendment. On December 13, 2007, the Board of Patent Appeals issued a ruling Affirming-In-Part the Examiner's Final Rejection in the instant matter. Specifically, the Board reversed the Examiner's rejection as to claims 17 and 18. Therefore, the subject matter of claim 17 and 18 is now allowable. Applicants have incorporated the subject matter of claims 16 and 17 in to original claim 14 and the subject matter of claims 16 and 18 into a new claim 35. Claims 15-18 have been cancelled. As currently amended, claims 14, 19-22 and 35-39 are currently pending. Applicants respectfully request the Examiner to re-open prosecution in the instant matter, in view of the Board's decision and the instant amendment. All claims currently pending in this application are believed to be patentable and ready for allowance.

## SUMMARY

Pending Claims 15, 19-22 and 35-39 as amended are patentable. Applicant respectfully requests the Examiner grant early allowance of this application. The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned attorneys for the Applicant via telephone if such communication would expedite this application.

Respectfully submitted,

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